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**CONGRESSMEN FARR ISSUES STATEMENT ON FY2012 AGRICULTURE  
APPROPRIATIONS BILL**

WASHINGTON, DC – Congressman Sam Farr (D-Carmel) today released the following statement regarding the Majority's proposed FY2012 Agriculture Appropriations bill:

"Everyday people across the country leave their homes in search of work, only to return at the end of the day with more worries and less hope. At a time that people continue to struggle to make ends meet, Republicans want to cut funding to WIC and other food programs that are helping put food on the table.

It is easy to see that drastic cuts are just as irresponsible as reckless spending. The proposed cuts to the FDA are jeopardizing the safety of our country's food supply. Reducing FDA funding to 21% below the President's request, as the danger of food recalls continue to persist—is simply wrong.

We understand that we have an obligation to get our fiscal house in order. And Democrats are ready to work with our friends across the aisle to make that happen, but not by discriminately

targeting those most in need."

Congressman Sam Farr is the Ranking Member of the Appropriations' Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies.

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